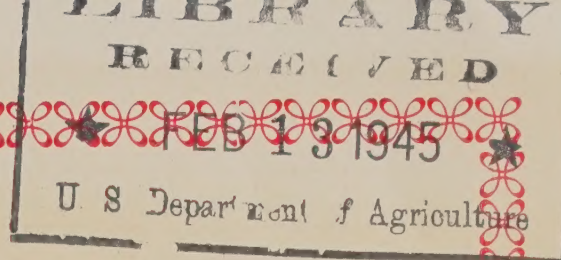


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1945 DAHLIA CATALOGUE



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ALBERT PARRELLA DAHLIA GARDENS

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I Grow the Best — Discard the Rest

Greetings . . . To My Friends:

It is with pleasure that I present you with this, my Dahlia Catalogue for 1945. Your generous and kind support is thoroughly appreciated and inspires me to continued effort to make available to you only the best.

This catalog would not be complete if I were not to take advantage of the opportunity to thank you for your many letters telling of various successes obtained from stock purchased from me. I am grateful to those who have been able to visit my gardens as well as those who have inspected my exhibits at the American Dahlia Society Shows, and many other shows we attend, because I feel my dahlias speak best for themselves.

To those who are familiar with my stock, no introduction is necessary and you have my pledge that the same quality will not only continue but improve if such is possible. To those who have not tried my service this is an invitation, an invitation that may prove a real opportunity for you to realize something you may not have been able to obtain elsewhere and no order is too small nor is any contract too large, I am pleased to serve you.

ALBERT PARRELLA.

IMPORTANT NOTICE — DO NOT OVERLOOK

Due to the limited space we are compelled to be brief with our descriptions. However, we want our patrons to know that the varieties listed in this Catalog are either Honor Roll Certificate Winners or has proven with us to be truly outstanding. Not only that, but the varieties offered are reliable in every respect, good growers, fine producers, insect resisting foliage and most of them are of large size blooms, and true prize winners. If you are interested in large size dahlias, you surely are not going wrong by ordering from us. This may be of interest to you to know that we do not force our dahlias for size, but we are gratified to know that our customers secure the lion's share of prizes at the Show.

VISITORS ARE WELCOME

You are cordially invited to bring along as many friends as you possibly can to my gardens at any time after August 15th and see this magnificent sight. You are under no obligation to buy, but welcomed and I will be as happy to see you as you will be to see this magnificent collection of gorgeous massive flowers in all of the colors, shades, and tints of the rainbow.

I will have over 300 varieties, most of them Honor Roll dahlias, as well as many promising seedlings, and many new ones sent by other growers for trial and that have not been released for sales as yet, as well as many novelties.

We want to thank those who have sent to us Seedlings for trial this past season. Assure you we have given them the best of attention. We would appreciate receiving more of them for the coming season providing they are good. We will do all we can to put them over.

A WORD ABOUT OUR DAHLIA PLANTS

We only offer plants of the most expensive varieties. You can secure plants at a much reasonable price. Our plants are made from base cuttings, and aren't over-propagated. We send out fine sturdy plants, well packed and GUARANTEED to reach you in perfect condition. If you take proper care of them you will not be disappointed. Our customers who have purchased plants from us in the past years have been very well satisfied. Not only have our plants produced wonderful blooms for them, but also have secured good clumps. Plants will be shipped from May 1st on. If an early shipment is required, kindly advise.

DIRECTIONS OF REACHING PARRELLA DAHLIA GARDENS

Customers can easily reach our place by taking the East Side Subway (Lexington Avenue); the train that is marked "241st Street & White Plains Road." Get off at East 180th Street and change for the SHUTTLE which passes our gardens. Get off at BAYCHESTER AVENUE. The distance between 180th Street and Baychester is only five stations. Our Gardens are only two blocks from Baychester Avenue. Inquire at Station, anyone will direct you to our Gardens. The fare is only Five Cents.

BY AUTO: Follow the Boston Post Road to either ELY AVENUE or GRACE AVENUE. Grace Avenue is more convenient for your parking space, turn EAST here five hundred feet and you are at the center of our Gardens.

Member of American Dahlia Society and The New York Florists Club

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For ENTRY BLANKS write to the Secretary, Dr. Ward Cook, 34 Puritan Avenue, Tuckahoe, N. Y., or to us.

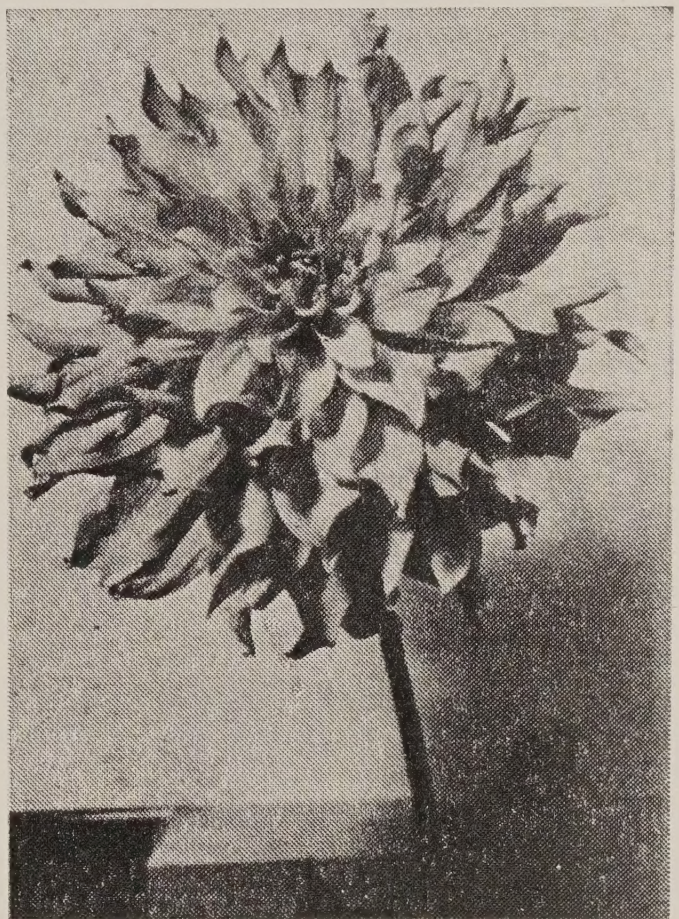
Parrella Dahlias Known and Grown the World Over! Why Not?

THE PARRELLA DAHLIA GARDENS presents the following introductions for the season of 1945. (See Honor Roll.)

OGDEN REID I. D. (Kelly-Parrella)—A grand dahlia named in honor of the famous editor of the N. Y. Herald-Tribune. This immense champion of a dahlia which grows, normally, 13 inches in diameter, and with a little extra care, could be grown very large. In fact, one well grown bloom shown at The Community Flower Show of Richmond Hill, L. I., on September 9, 1944, received first and special prizes for the largest and most perfect bloom in the show. We do not want to mention size of this bloom as it seems unbelievable. Color Spinel Pink, blended with lighter rose pink with blend and striping of Primuline yellow. Blooms are held facing on canelike stems. Foliage, leathery and resistant to insects. The plant is a vigorous grower and perfect in every respect, free and prolific bloomer. Height of plant, 6 feet. Stock limited. **Roots \$25.00 Plant \$12.50 3 plants for \$30.00**

HILDA FIORETTI S. C. to I. D.

(Fioretti-Parrella)—This is the lovely dahlia that was greatly admired by visitors at the A.D.S. Show in New York. (Remember the basket of large blooms, top center at our display at the A.D.S.?) Hilda Fioretti, a first prize winner at the A.D.S. Show, and received a silver medal at the New York Florists' Club, October 11, 1944. The coloring of this marvelous dahlia is so attractive and outstanding that you cannot forget it. Color, deep rose pink, blended deeper rose color with stripes and fine tips of apricot yellow. Size of blooms, 9 to 10 inches in diameter. The plant is a perfect grower with marvelous branching habits. You could cut from 10 to 20 blooms from each plant of size mentioned, with a $3\frac{1}{4}$ to 4-foot stem. Blooms are held facing on canelike stem. Foliage is insect resistant. Height of plant, 5 to 6 feet.



Root \$15.00 Plant \$7.50

HILDA FIORETTI

SWEET LAVENDER I. D. (Parrella)—A very pleasing bi-color of phlox purple blended with rose lavender with white tips. Blooms average 7 to 8 inches and are held facing on the best of stems. Good foliage and a fine growing plant. Please note, this is the No. 50 T seedling bi-color dahlia that was so greatly admired by visitors on our display at the A.D.S. Show, September 21st and 22nd. And many of your friends made a notation of it. We are always sincere in our statement, we will say that 25% of the blooms will not come bi-color, but just a solid color. That is why we release it at a very reasonable price. Height of plant, 4 feet. **Root \$7.50 Plant \$3.50**

JANE LAUSCHE S. C. (Rocky River)—11 by 6. Bi-color; rosy mauve tipped white. You will hear so much about this dahlia that I will content myself with referring to it as one of the most beautiful dahlias. **Plant \$7.50**

JOAN PHILLIPS, JR. I. D.

(Samuels-Parrella) — An unusual bi-color, different than anything you've seen. In fact, this dahlia is almost in a Chrysanthemum formation. Blooms average 7 to 8 inches. Color, deep mallow pink, white tips. Each bloom true to color. The petals have lacinated tips. An excellent growing plant. Open grower with canelike stems and fine foliage. This dahlia deserves a place in every garden. Plant, 4 to 5 feet high.

Root \$10.00 Plant \$5.00



JOAN PHILLIPS, JR.

DR. KENNETH TAYLOR I. D. (Fioretti-Parrella)—This is an unusually fine dahlia which produces plenty of fine blooms, averaging 8 to 9 inches in diameter with great depth. It is a pleasure to grow as the plant is perfect, stem is excellent, foliage, insect resistant and blooms are held facing and on top of best of stems. Color, scarlet red with bronze sheen and reverse of orange buff, showing as petals twist. Height, 4 to 5 feet.

Root \$10.00 Plant \$5.00

PLEASE NOTE: Dr. Kenneth Taylor, Joan Phillips, Jr., and Sweet Lavender were part of our display at the New York Florists' Club, which received a silver medal.

SWEETIE PIE I. D. (Yerkes-Parrella)—A commercial yellow dahlia of exceptional quality. Blooms average 6 inches by 4 inches on fine long stem. An early and prolific bloomer. Winner at the A.D.S. Show in New York, in open to all classes. An honor roll dahlia. Root \$7.50 Plant \$3.50

ESSIE SMITH is a large refined semi-cactus amaranth pink dahlia. Blooms 13½ inches by 10 inches, facing to up, with tight centers on good strong cane like stems, well up out of the foliage. Insect resistant plants with leather like foliage 4 feet to 6 feet tall. Plant \$5.00 net

SGT. WILLIAMS (Williams-Dahliadel)—This is the golden yellow Sport of Glamour which has proved so good in West Virginia for three years. Although we have not grown this dahlia all of us who grow Glamour know what a rugged and healthy grower it is, and how easy it is to handle. Bloomed for the originator from the first of July. Good for cutting and can be grown 11 inches by 7 inches. Plant \$5.00

JOAN FERENZ I. D. (Rindfleisch-Ruschmohr)—Color, blend of chrome yellow and flush of spinal pink. Size 11 to 12 inches. The American Home Achievement Medal Winner at New York Show of American Dahlia Society

Plant \$7.50

Order early and you will not be disappointed.

GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING S. C. (Ward-Ruschmohr)—Sport of the ever prize winner dahlia Virginia Rute, in a new and pleasing color of coral and jasper red with chrome flush. One can grow this as large as they can grow Virginia Rute. Received a Certificate of Merit in East Lansing and Fairmont, W. Va., in 1943. Also winner of The American Home Achievement Medal in St. Louis in 1943. **Plant \$7.50**

V-DAY S. C.—12 by 8. Dixie Gardens. Brilliant dark rose. Authorities say that to date there is no dahlia of this color. A seedling of Carl Dahl, having the same long leaves and substance of bloom. An Honor Roll dahlia and a good one. **Plant \$5.00**

FAITHFUL (Dahliadel)—White Semi-Cactus. Under normal culture blooms are 9 to 10 inches by 4 to 5 inches deep. Bush grows sturdy with well proportioned stems. Easy to grow with blooms always full centered. Listed on the Mid-W st Honor Roll. **Plant \$5.00**

HOOSIER MARVEL (Wolfe Dahlia Gardens)—A giant yellow S.C. to I.D. bloom 14 by 7 inches and can be grown larger. Color is quite like Lord of Autumn. Flowers facing to 45 degree angle, good stem and center. Some petals lacinated which adds to its beauty. Plant 5½ to 6 feet tall. Certificate at East Lansing and on Honor Roll. **Plant \$5.00**

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**TEN BRIEF SUGGESTIONS TO THE AMATEUR  
ON HOW TO GROW BETTER DAHLIAS**

1. Select easily grown varieties and those giving full satisfaction.
2. Prepare the selected planting spot well and place the supporting stake.
3. Dig a hole next to the stake, about 10 inches in diameter and 7 to 8 inches deep, and place one handful of bonemeal in the hole, or any other recommended fertilizer and mix thoroughly with the soil before planting.
4. Place roots in flat position with the sprout or "eye" facing upwards. Cover lightly with about 2 inches of soil. In doing this be careful not to damage the sprout. As the plant grows, fill around the stem with soil.
5. Do not plant too early. At times, too early planting spoils good roots. I would suggest planting from June 1st on, except in climates where a short growing season is prevalent. In that case use your own judgment.
6. Keep the soil well cultivated throughout the season, and prevent weeds from outgrowing the plant.
7. Water plants during hot weather at least once a week. Do not merely sprinkle them, but soak them. This must be done after sundown.
8. Tie the plant to the supportive stake with soft cord, at distance of 12 inches apart. This is done as an added security against destruction by wind and storm. Spray with any reliable parasiticide at least once every two weeks.
9. About August 1st, scatter a handful of bonemeal about 6 inches around the stem and rake it gently into the soil. Other fertilizers may be used if desired. Do not use excessive amounts of fertilizer as injury to the roots will result.
10. About August 15th, the same treatment as above is applied. Disbudding at this time aids in the formation of bigger and better flowers and longer stems. This should insure good results. If any other information is desirable, I will gladly forward you the same.

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We would appreciate very much if you print or write your name and address **PLAINLY**, in order to avoid confusion.



GENERAL LIST OF STANDARD VARIETIES

Large Flowering Type

The varieties listed herein are positively the best stock that can be procured anywhere, at any price, as these tubers are not forced, or from over propagated stock, and are GUARANTEED to be true to name, healthy, and full of life, vim, and vitality.

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS: F. D.—Formal Decorative; S. C.—Semi-Cactus; I. D.—Informal Decorative; St. C.—Straight Cactus.

**ADA HOFFMAN I. D.** (Parrella, Blamer-Hulin)—A beautiful golden color dahlia. This dahlia was selected by Miss Ada Hoffman, daughter of Governor Hoffman of New Jersey, and named in her honor. The selection was made among many dahlia seedlings at the show. The Ada Hoffman dahlia is unquestionably very outstanding. Blooms average 10 inches or more and are of perfect formation. Height of plant, 4 to 5 feet. Root \$1.50

**ADELE HENDERSON F. D.** (Rindfleisch-Parrella)—Color, citron yellow with stromtian yellow at center with a light flush deep old rose. Very pleasing combination of colors, and form with petals rounding back to make large ball. 7½ to 9 inches in diameter, from 5 to 6 inches in depth. Blooms from July until frost. Very prolific bloomer, a very long keeper after cutting. One of the best commercial type dahlias as well as exhibition since Jane Cowl. Height, 4½ to 5 feet. Received a certificate at Storrs, 1941. Also an Honor Roll Dahlia. Roots \$3.00 Plants \$1.25

**A. G. GOODACRE F. D.** (Goodacre-Dixie)—Lemon yellow, tipped white. Blooms average from 9 to 10 inches, on long straight stems. Early and profuse bloomer, with insect resisting foliage. Height, 4 feet. Root \$1.50

**ALFRED LUNT F. D.** (Parrella)—Exhibition as well as commercial. Height of plant 6 feet. Size of bloom, 8 inches by 6 inches, or better. Color, currant red to scarlet. The petals of this remarkable dahlia when fully opened fall almost to the stem and the formation is almost like a ball dahlia. The flower is of very good substance and stands out with its brilliant color. Cane-like stem holding the flower facing and on top. Root \$2.00

**ALL AMERICAN S. C.** (Salem)—Mulberry rose, suffused salmon with wax yellow at base of petals. The blooms are of immense size and are held on best of stems. This is a true prize winner. Height, 6 feet. Roots \$2.50 Plant \$1.25

**ALYCE MARIE GALVIN F. D.**—A beautiful white with faint tones of cameo pink on outer petals. 11 inch flower. Height, 5 feet. Roots 50c

**AMERICAN PURITY (J. Nuneviller)**—Glistening white. True semi-cactus type with absolutely straight stems which are in proportion to the size of the huge blossoms and clean foliage. Height, 5 feet. Root \$1.00

**AMY PAGE I. D.** (Chappaqua)—A new dahlia of deep chrome yellow with a faint suffusion of scarlet. The blooms naturally grow to a large size on a clean, open, vigorous bush. An Honor Roll Dahlia. Root \$2.00

**ANNA BENEDICT I. D.** (Benedict-Dahliadel)—Color, rich deep garnet, with black shadings at the center of the bloom. Height, 5½ feet. Root 75c

**AUTUMN SUNSET I. D.** (e-mh)-C—Lemon yellow lightly tinted spinel red. An exceptionally strong grower and highly resistant to insects. Very large blooms, good stems. Root 50c

**AZURA I. D.** (e-mh)-C—A giant dahlia. Color, rosy lilac with a bluish violet sheen. A clean vigorous grower but a late bloomer. Root \$1.00



### SPECIAL NOTICE

1. NOTHING but tried and selected tubers is sent out.
2. I PRACTICE treating my customers as I would want others to treat me.
3. I SELL my stock at prices that are within reason.
4. I AM NOT trying to grow every dahlia grown, but I am trying to present to the general public most of the varieties that are easily grown and give you full satisfaction.

### OUR GUARANTEE

Finally, I fully guarantee my stock to be true to name and free from any slightest sign of disease. We will gladly replace any unsatisfactory stock if we are notified.

**SHIPPING:** We ship our dahlia roots from April 20th on and our dahlia plants from May 1st on. If an early shipment is desired, please specify the date with your order.

All orders are shipped prepaid by Parcel Post or Express with the exception of any order amounting to less than two dollars (\$2.00). Kindly add 20c for postage.

If there is any variety that you're interested in and don't find listed, write to us, we may be able to accommodate you, as we have many more varieties but only in small quantities, and that is why we have not listed them.

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BAKER'S BEST I. D. (Baker-Hillside Farm)—Very large, clear yellow. We had the pleasure of seeing it at Storrs Trial Ground. To my estimation this is a dahlia of real merit and worthy of having a place in any discriminating garden. Good grower, best of stems. Root \$3.50 Plants \$1.50

BALLEGO'S SURPRISE S. C. (Ballego)—One of the most beautiful whites. A Seedling of Frau O'Bracht which already has made a fine record. Height, 4 feet. Roots \$1.00

BILL ARBURY S. C. (FitzGerald-Parrella)—A lovely clear white with cream shading at the base of the petals. This variety has a leaning in some blooms to informal decorative such as we find in Frau O'Bracht, 10 inches or better with great depth. Roots \$2.00

BALTIMORE BELLE S. C.—The royal robe of Caesar could not compare with the beauty and lustre of the purple-red glow of this new and magnificent dahlia. Roots \$2.00 Plants \$1.00

BLACK KNIGHT I. D. (Kemp)—The name of this dahlia ought to be sufficient to give you an idea of the color. Dark velvety maroon, almost black. The flowers are up to 12 inches in diameter. Plant has a wondrous branching habit. Height, 6 feet. Roots \$1.50

BLUE RIVER (Salem) F. D.—The name is very appropriate for this dahlia. Color, deep lilac or bluish mauve. The nearest to blue dahlia we have seen. Good size bloom on fine stem. Height, 4 feet. Roots 75c

CALIFORNIA IDOL I. D. (Ballay)—Clear, bright, self-colored yellow. In size it ranks with the very largest, growing to 14 inches and yet is an extremely refined flower in every sense. Height, 4½ feet. Roots 75c

CARL DAHL I. D. (Scott)—A graceful giant flower. Can easily be grown to 12 inches or more. Color, apricot buff, reverse old rose, with a concentration of old rose at center. A free bloomer, with fine stem. Root \$1.00

CHARLES L. MASTICK (F)—The color is rich bright orange, deepening to a darker orange at the centre. The reverse is grenadine pink. Strong, vigorous plants hold the immense blooms well above the foliage. Root \$1.00

COL. A. G. RUDD I. D. (Geneva Gardens)—This is the Red Informal! So distinctive that Lynn B. Dudley and J. W. Johnston selected it to be named in honor of Lt. Col. A. G. Rudd, who represented the army at the Victory Show. Magnificent color, carmine mahogany red with darker center. Ramrod stems that hold the blooms at just right angle. A point scoring dahlia in the garden or on the exhibition table. Size, 12" by 7½" deep. Bushes are of medium height, branching low, producing long canes. **Root \$5.00 Plants \$2.00**

CHEROKEE BRAVE I. D. (Ricks-Dahliadel)—Color, ox-blood red that holds its color in the hottest sun. Blooms average 11 inches or better. Height of plant, 5½ feet. **Root \$1.00**

CLARA CARDER I. D. (New Zealand)—Certainly one of the best, and a great exhibition variety, of clear cyclamen pink; largest flowers on great stems. **Roots 50c**

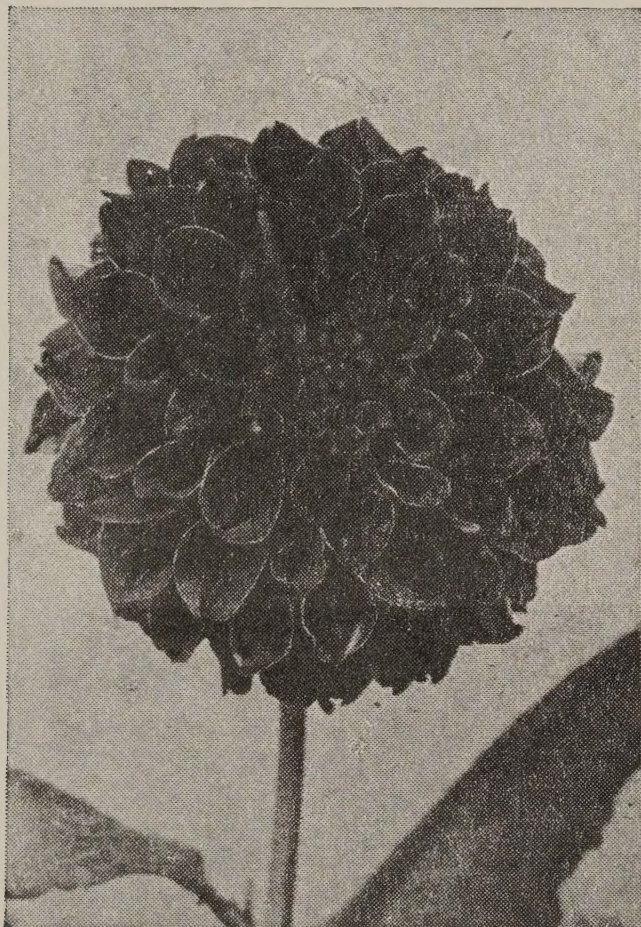
CHATTAGUA SALUTE F. D.—Pure White. **Roots 50c**

COLOR SKETCH F. D.—A cut flower type of wonderful color and rare beauty. Deep rose pink with stripes and blotches of white. Extra stiff stems and fine keeper. Several times a winner. **Roots \$2.50**

COMMANDO F. D.—True Phlox Purple. **Root \$5.00 Plants \$2.50**

CROWNING GLORY I. C. (S. D. G.)—This dahlia upon opening appears somewhat on the semi-cactus type, but as it develops the edges of the petals fall back and roll forming quills which gradually incurve. It is rose pink with a cream center and the most beautiful and artistic dahlia. Blooms are 12 inches and over with good depth, on long straight stems. Height, 6 feet.

Root \$3.00 Plants \$1.50



DIRECTOR MARSHALL HOWE

DIRECTOR MARSHALL A. HOWE F. D. (Parrella-Hulin-Blamer)—This is what we call a perfect dahlia. A fine formation, beautiful color, exceptional fine stem and the very best of foliage. Prize winning wherever shown. Also a certificate winner from the Georgia Trial Ground. Color, general effects velvety tyrian—rose; in detail, the color is a cardinal red overlying mulberry. The red fades as the end of the petal is approached, showing the undercolor of mulberry purple. To the whole flower there is a cast of red cerise. The petals fall back almost to stem, giving a ball effect. Height of plant, 4½ feet.

Roots \$1.50

DAHLIAMUM I. D. (Chemar)—A very large, deep flower of cadium apricot with a golden sheen. Stems are strong, carrying the flower on top.

Root \$1.50

The Marvelous Dahlia is Not Only a Man's Flower—A Lady's as Well.

DAN'L DEL ROI ALBERT F. D.—Purple tipped white, very outstanding.

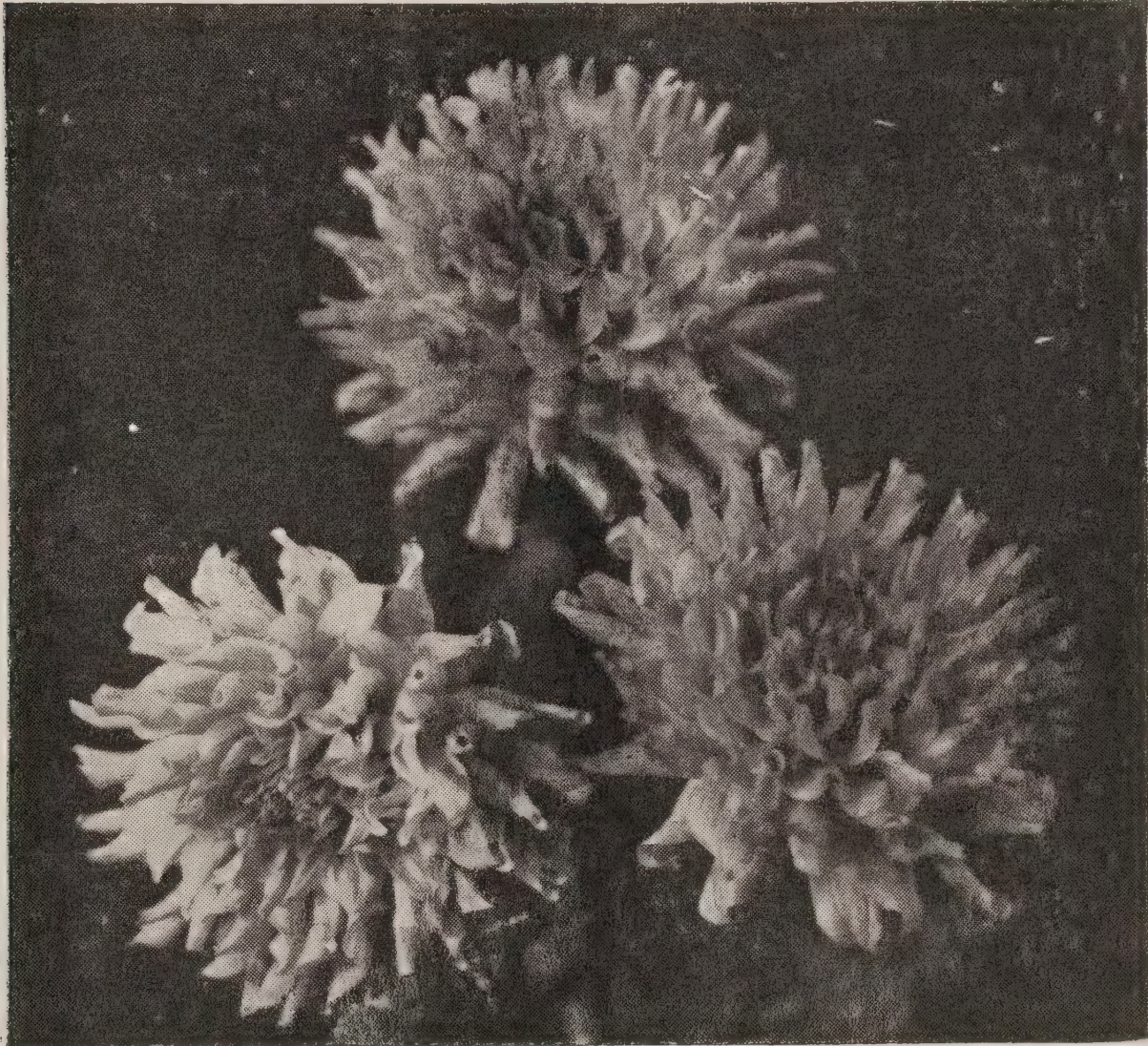
Root \$1.00

DIXIE'S WINE DOT I. D.—A clear white flecked and splashed with wine red. Similar to Haslerova, except that it is more informal and larger. Blooms average 10" to 12". Stems are long and stiff on a 5 to 7 foot bush.

Root \$4.00 Plant \$2.00

DARCY SAINSBURY F. D.—One of the finest whites we ever grew. This dahlia came to us from AUSTRALIA. This is a champion, without exaggerating. The immense blooms are erect on cane-like stems, facing sideways. Height of plants 4½ feet.

Roots 75c



DOROTHY SCHMIDT

DOROTHY SCHMIDT (Parrella-Blamer-Hulin)—A double Prize Winner at the A. D. S. Show in New York. This beautiful lilac shading to lavender colored semi-cactus received the coveted Leonard Barron Memorial Trophy, which is offered for the best medium type dahlia variety. Also a Special Silver Medal Certificate. Blooms average 7 inches in diameter and 4 inches in depth. It was described by some of the experts as of almost perfect form. Pure lilac with a bluish tint. Height of plant about 4½ feet. Root \$3.00 Plant \$1.50

DISCOVERY I. D. (Salem)—Huge flowers of deep rosy magenta with a deep reddish garnet center.

Root 75c

DR. FRIDELL S. C. (Tipton-Hulin)—Another breath-taking variety in the flashy color class. Very attractive orange with a deep lavender reverse that shows at all times. The curly petals resemble a lovely Permanent Wave. A large vase of this variety took the show at Tacoma, Washington, in 1939, winning the Sunset Medal. Height, 5 feet.

Root \$2.50 Plant \$1.25

Green, black and blue dahlias as yet don't exist. Any other color? Sure,
you'll find it in my list.

- EVELYN CHANDLER S. C.**—Large golden apricot. Roots \$1.25
- EDITH WILLKIE S. C. (Tooker)**—Color, pure white. This beautiful exhibition dahlia won the "American Home Achievement Medal." Blooms are of an immense size, from 12 to 15 inches in diameter. Regardless of its size, blooms are finely formed and are borne on cane-like stems. This particular variety attracted a lot of attention at the New York World's Fair, 1940, as well as at the A. D. S. Show, 1941. We recommend this dahlia very highly. Roots \$3.50 Plants \$1.50
- EDWARD THOMAS BEDFORD I. D.**—A very striking dahlia of a bright cerise color with a silvery reverse. Height, 4½ feet. Roots 50c
- EVENTIDE I. D. (Hillside Farm)**—Here is a most unusual dahlia. A rich violet-purple with outer petals streaked lighter purple, end of each petal is deeply lacerated. Blooms are of large size. Height, 4 feet. Roots \$1.50
- ELLA MAY C.**—Rhodamine purple. Height, 4 feet. Roots 50c
- FIGARO S. C.**—Color, deep golden yellow, heavily splashed and striped reddish cerise. This is supposed to be a Sport of Satan of French origin. The blooms are of immense size and are held on best of stems. Height, of plant, 4 feet. Root \$1.50
- FIREBALL F. D. (Bissell)**—Color, a brilliant scarlet which does not burn or fade. The foliage is heavy and absolutely insect-resisting. Height about 5 feet. Roots 50c
- FLASH C. (Salem)**—Color, crimson red, tipped pure white. The petals are serrated, and they curl and twist further enhancing this beautiful dahlia. Height, 5 feet. Roots \$2.00 Plants \$1.00
- FOREST FIRE I. D. (Dahliadel)**—Color, lemon yellow for about one-third the length of the petals, then shaded to rich scarlet toward the tips. Height, 4 feet. Roots 50c
- FRANCES DEWEY S. C. (Tooker-Parrella)**—A truly gigantic dahlia grown up to 13" x 10" in depth. Received First Tri-Color and Achievement Medal at the Rockville Centre Show. Color, scarlet red, very pleasing to the eye. A Seedling of Margrace. A truly super dahlia and should have a choice spot in any discriminating garden. Fine foliage and good branching habits. Height of plant, 5 to 6 feet. Root \$7.50 Plant \$3.00 2 Plants for \$5.00
- FRED SPRINGER F. D.**—Large scarlet red flowers, with short stems that cover the bush and stay on the plant a long time, giving the plant the appearance of a rose bush with gigantic roses. None better for a border or hedge. Roots 50c
- FREIDA GEORGE I. D. (Australia)**—One of the most beautiful dahlias we had the pleasure of growing. The color is helio and cream, and one has to see it to fully understand the delicate color. The blooms are large on wonderful stems. One of the very best. Height, 5 feet. Roots \$1.00
- FRECKLES I. D. (Kemp)**—Color, lemon yellow, speckled and striped peach red. A real novelty. Height of plant, 4½ feet. Root 75c
- F. W. BECKETT I. D. (Thomas-Parrella)**—Color, apricot yellow overlaid strawberry pink. Blooms are of immense size up to 12 inches or better, by 7 inch depth. Long and graceful stem holding the flower facing. Free and profuse bloomer. This variety has a good lasting quality after it is cut. Height, 5 feet. Root \$3.50 Plant \$1.50
- GINGER ROGERS I. D.**—Deep sulphur yellow. Root \$3.00 Plant \$1.50
- GLAMOUR I. D. (Salem)**—This is a real huge dahlia with size and depth, and has many winners to its credit. Color is a true purple, deeply edged amaranth pink. Height, 5 feet. Root \$1.50

If you have tried to grow dahlias once and failed, try again.

GOLDEN BEAUTY I. D. (Silvernale-Oakleigh)—Just naturally big. Blooms, 12 inches. Seven feet tall and with facing flowers of a lovely rich golden shade. Root 75c

GOLDEN GOBLIN F. D.—A huge golden ochre with broad thick flat petals that roll back toward the stem, giving it a great depth. Root 50c

GOLDEN STANDARD S. C. (Downs)—A very showy variety of large size. Color, a golden tan, blushed with tints of amber and bronze. The blooms are held facing on long stiff stems. Plant, 6 feet. Root 50c

GOLDEN LITE F. D. (Alling)—A lovely dahlia of red and yellow. This color combination is very striking to the eye. A wonderful grower, good producer. Height, 5 feet. Roots 75c

GRACE CURLING S. C.-I. D.—A charming dahlia of good size. Color, bright lilac with a trace of white at the base of petals. Height, 5 feet. Root 50c

GRAND SLAM (Hulin-Parrella)—Here is the best true-to-type Semi-Cactus we have ever seen and a color combination all its own, bright rose, citron yellow, and light pink. The 9 to 10 inch blooms are held well on good stems. Height 4½ ft. Root \$1.25

GREATER GLORY S. C. (Salem)—Color deep rose pink, occasionally shading to sulphur yellow at the center. Strong healthy bush with fine foliage. Good stem and excellent bloom. Winner at the leading Shows. Root \$1.50

H. R. S. I. D. (Seal)—Color, golden yellow throughout; no other shade or tint. Height, 5 feet. Roots 35c

HUNT'S VELVET WONDER I. D. (Hunt's-Burnett Bros.)—Color, bright violet burgundy. Blooms up to 15 inches. Stands erect on a fine stem. Height, 5 feet. Roots 75c

HILLSIDE GOLD St. C.—Golden Yellow. Root 75c



HULIN'S MELODY

HULIN'S MELODY S. C. (Hulin-Parrella)—It is almost impossible to paint a satisfactory word picture of a new dahlia, but when it comes to describing **HULIN'S MELODY** it is still harder. Words fail to express the exquisite beauty this flower possesses with its intriguing blend of golden yellow and rose lavender. The wavy petals show a rose sheen on the reverse which blends most delightfully into a melody of colors.

Winner of several blues in the seedling class and a silver cup sweepstakes award at the Western Washington Fair. Well mentioned on the HONOR Roll.

Root \$3.00 Plant \$1.50

Once a customer, means you will always be a customer.

INCANDESCENT I. D. (Weyer's-Parrella)—Color, rich rosy buff suffused yellow, light old rose. Center, rich old rose, paling to light buff on outside of petals. Blooms from 10 to 13 inches in diameter. Blooms in great profusion.

Roots \$1.00

IVORY PRINCESS S. C. (Hawkins-Ruschmohr)—A grand dahlia with a brand new color. A beautiful shade of ivory. Something that is very much needed in this color class. Blooms are very large and are held on stiff stems. This variety has received many awards in different shows. Height, 6 feet.

Roots \$3.00 Plant \$1.50

JANE COWL I. D.—Color, a glistening bronzy buff and gold, blending to a deeper shade at the center. Height, 6 feet.

Roots 35c

JEAN TRIMBEE S. C.—Color, a rich petunia violet and many blooms close to 12 inches. An unusual and outstanding variety. Height, 5½ feet.

Roots 75c

JEFFERSONIAN F. D. (Retzer)—An immense bloom of mauve pink. Winner of an Achievement Medal at Nellsville, Ohio Show. A fine plant and free bloomer. Height, 4 feet.

Root \$1.50

JERSEY BEAUTY F. D.—Large pure pink, on long erect stems and still in great demand as a florist flower. Good keeper. Height, 6 feet.

Roots 35c

JERSEY'S DAINTY (Incurved Cactus)—One of the best white cactus Dahlias to date, being a free bloomer and a good keeper.

Roots 50c

JERSEY'S WHITE BEAUTY F. D. (White)—This is a white commercial variety with a wonderful keeping quality and the best of stems. Color, pure white, free and prolific bloomer. Height, 5 feet.

Root 50c

JOSEPHINE G. S. C. (Grosscross)—Color is very pleasing true rose pink of a bright shade, soft petals tipped yellow. Height, 4½ feet.

Roots 50c



**JOHN ADAM KER-
NOCHAN F. D.**

(Fioretti) — A medium size bi-color which was the center of attraction on our display, at the A.D.S. show; and a first prize winner and Bronze Medal. Color, garnet red, white tips. Blooms average 8" x 5". Are held facing on long graceful stems with very good substance. Height of plant, 5 feet.

Root \$7.50 Plant \$3.50

JOHN ADAM KERNOCHAN

JUSSIAINT I. C. (De Royter)—Color, lavender. A lovely dahlia in every respect. The plant is a very sturdy grower. The bush is always covered with blooms. You can always win with Jussiant. Height, 5 feet.

Roots 75c



KIMIKAGE

KIMIKAGE I. C. (Parrella) —

In introducing this lovely dahlia, we are positive of offering something real different. Kimikage isn't a large dahlia, but one of the most beautiful in color and very different in formation. The petals of this dahlia twist in such a fine manner that frankly it is hard to describe. You must see this dahlia in bloom to appreciate its real beauty. Color, lemon yellow. Light green foliage, insect resisting. Height of plant, 4½ feet.

Roots \$2.50 Plant \$1.00

KATIE K. I. D. (Lakeside Gardens)—A clear pink, of large size on long stems. I think it is the greatest exhibition in pink. **Roots \$1.00**

KATHLEEN NORRIS I. D.—Color, a true rose pink, deepening to a mellow pink. A flower of gigantic proportions. The blooms are held facing on cane-like stems. Height, 4 feet. **Roots 75c**

KENTUCKY SUN F. D. (White)—Bright golden yellow. Flowers carried well up out of the foliage, on the best of stems. A clean and vigorous grower. **Roots 50c**

KOKI S. C.—Color, spectrum red and soft buff. This is a lovely dahlia in every respect. Good size and form. Height, 3½ feet. **Roots \$1.00**

KILGORE'S KING I. D. (Kilgore)—Color, flesh at the center with outer petals gold. This is a strong rugged growing variety and the large blooms are erect on cane-like stems. Height, 6 feet. **Root 50c**

KING PETER F. D.—This is one of the most beautiful and delicately blended colored dahlias. White tipped lavender. Blooms average from 7 to 8 inches and are held on cane-like stem, flowers facing. Height, 5 feet. **Root \$1.25**

LINK'S WHITE MAJESTY (Link's Premier)—A huge Informal Decorative that may come Formal in some soils. A grand white dahlia that is clean and clear throughout with no trace of green. Height, 4 feet. **Roots \$2.50 Plant \$1.00**

NOTE: Due to the severe draught, some variety stock is rather limited, so please order early if you don't want to be disappointed.

Prices in this catalogue are correct. This catalogue cancels all previous lists.

For 1946 watch for the lovely Sylvia Todd, large I. D., Alma K. This dahlia received a certificate at Storr's 1944. Sun Gay—A certificate winner at East Lansing 1944, and other introductions.



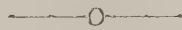
LADY GARTMOR

LADY GARTMOR F. D. to I. D. (Kelly)—Carmine with ox-blood shadings on petals and on center. Blooms average 9" x 5" or better. Held facing on fine long stems. This variety not only has good substance but also plenty of resistance against weather elements. In fact, after a severe rain storm Lady Gartmor was the only dahlia in our collection that wasn't affected. A great dahlia which will make a host of friends. It will compete with Anna Benedict. Height of plant, 6 feet.

Root \$5.00 Plant \$2.50

LAETARE S. C.—A bi-color dahlia which is unusually beautiful. Color, red and yellow. The lovely blooms are erect on cane-like stems. Height of plant, 4 feet. Root 75c

LOWELL THOMAS (Greubels Gardens)—A giant informal decorative, rare, distinctive color, misty rose pink, suggesting lavender, slightly twisted petals. Flowers facing on excellent stems. Bush, 5½ feet. Root \$2.00 Plant \$1.00



"SUPER DAHLIA SEED"

Have you been looking for an outstanding dahlia, that you would like to name after yourself, or some beloved friend? If you have, then I have the seed from which these beauties can be raised, as can be attested to by the many visitors to my gardens the past season.

My seed is hand picked and selected from over 300 varieties of Honor Roll dahlias, in my gardens, and it is for this reason, and this reason only, that I can give the following **GUARANTEE**, that more than 50% of these will show full, double and tight centers, and that among these you will get some that are as good, if not better than any outstanding variety you have in your garden, no matter what they are.

50 Seeds \$3.00 Net

100 Seeds \$5.00 Net

(Trial packet \$1.00)



LYNN FONTANNE

LYNN FONTANNE S. C. to I. D
(Lee-Parrella) — Exhibition. 5 feet tall. Blooms 13½ inches by 9½ inches. Spectrum red shades of carmine toward tips, with chrome yellow petaloids. The petaloids give a relief to the vivid red and soften the general tone color. Flowers facing on best of stems, the bush is an open grower with insect resisting foliage. A free and profuse bloomer. Has an exceptional long lasting quality after it is cut. One bloom measuring 13 inches by 9 inches which we had on display at "Gardens on Parade" lasted exactly ten days.

Roots \$3.50 Plants \$1.50

MAFFIE S. C.—A great Prize Winner wherever it has been shown. This particular variety has been grown up to 14 inches in diameter. Flowers are held on best of stems. The plant has a good growing habit, foliage are insect proof. Color, intense carmine red. Height, 4 feet. **Roots \$2.00**

MAGIC PRINCE (Hulin-Parrella)—Tall growing cactus of a lovely formation and color, being a large full centered bloom of lilac mauve. The bush is luxuriant with all good habits, clean stems at least ten inches from first set of leaves. **Roots \$2.00 Plant \$1.00**

MAN O' WAR I. D.—A dark velvety red dahlia of large size and fine form. Good stem and fine foliage. Height, 6 feet. **Root 75c**

MAX SCHLING I. D.—A most outstanding color, heavy sheened velvety maroon lined with a black dense line, throwing highlights to either side of the under petals. **Roots \$1.50**

MASON'S PURPLE BEAUTY F. D. (Mason)—Color, purple, reverse whitish or silvery streaked. A prolific bloomer. Height, 5½ feet. **Roots \$1.00**

M. Col F. D.—A medium size dahlia. A beautiful tri-color flower. Yellow at the center shading to orange with silvery white tips. A fine grower and producer. Size of blooms, 5 to 6 inches in diameter. The blooms are erect on cane-like stems, facing sideways. Height, 4 feet. **Roots 75c**

MICHIGAN WHITE S. C. (Keiser-Lakeside)—The most prolific blooming cut flower, white, to date. Flowers run from 5 to 8 inches normally. As many as 18 to 25 opening at one time on bush. **Roots \$1.00**

MILTON J. CROSS I. D.—Color, clear light lemon yellow at the center, shaded rose and coral on outer petals. Huge blooms on cane-like stems. Height, 5 feet. **Root \$1.00**



MARGARET DUROSS

Photo courtesy of New York Journal - American

MARGARET DUROSS—Was named in honor of an official of the N. Y. Journal-American. This is a grand dahlia in every respect, and it was immensely admired by the visitors at our garden this past season. The color of this lovely dahlia is amaranth pink with amaranth purple shadings. The petals are lacinated, giving it a pin cushion effect. Blooms average about 8 inches, or better, are of good substance and best of stems. Winner of a bronze medal at the A.D.S. show in 1942. Height of plant, 4½ feet.

Roots \$7.50 Plants \$3.50

MISS KENTUCKY F. D.—Size 7 x 4 inches. For those that admire the pastel shades this is fine. White delicately overlaid opalescent pink. Free and early bloomer with 100% stem and bush growth.

Roots \$2.50

MISS LONG ISLAND I. D. (Jeffords-Parrella)—A tall grower with splendid habits and a very attractive plant. The color is bright watermelon pink. Some of the petals show tips of silver. Height, 6 feet.

Roots \$1.25

MOLLY B. I. D. (Briggs-Ruschmohr)—Color, large tyrian pink with flush of amaranth pink. Average size, 12 by 6 inches. Winner of the American Home Achievement Medal at the A.D.S. Show.

Roots \$3.00 Plant \$1.50

- MONARCH OF THE EAST I. D. (Almy)**—A giant flower of mustard yellow with an apricot suffusion, with good stem and a fine foliage. **Root 75c**
- MOON-GLO F. D. (Parrella-Hulin)**—Color, lemon yellow. High center which gives it a distinct glow. Height, 4½ feet. **Roots \$1.00**
- MRS. C. E. WILDON F. D. (Dixie)**—Color, scarlet red, orange reverse, 6 x 10 inches, heavy, leathery, foliage, and prolific. Good stems, bush 4 feet. **Roots \$1.00**
- MRS. GEORGE LE BOUTILLIER I. D. (Smith-Ruschmohr)**—Color, deep crimson. The blooms are exceptionally large. Height, 4½ feet. **Roots 50c**
- MRS. THOS. A. EDISON I. D.**—Velvety red reverse silver. **Plants \$1.50**
- MRS. W. F. LORD F. D. (Pike-Parrella)**—A bright gold with tints of peach pink on reverse. Gold deepens to a golden orange to the center of the flower. Height, 4½ feet. **Roots \$1.00**
- MRS. WILLIAM S. KNUDSEN I. D. (Dixie Gardens)**—Color, pure white, 6 to 7 feet. Heavy insect resisting foliage. Bloom 10 x 12 x 7 inches. **Roots 75c**
- MYRA HOWARD I. D.**—Saffron yellow and gold with tints of salmon. The entire effect being ochreous orange. A wonderful plant, producing giant blooms freely on long rigid stems. Height, 6 feet. **Roots 50c**
- NANCY ANN MITCHELL I. C.**—Scarlet **Roots \$1.50**
- OAKLEIGH MONARCH F. D. (Oakleigh Gardens)**—It is bright cerise red color—quite unlike any other introduction of recent years, and the keeping qualities, for such a large Dahlia, are remarkable. Height, 5 feet. **Roots 50c**
- PALO ALTO S. C.**—A real giant, clear, bright salmon, shading towards gold at the center. Stems tall and straight. **Roots 75c**
- PEARL HARBOR I. D. (Dixie Dahlia Gardens)**—An 8" to 10" flower that rolls back to the stem. A rosy lavender flecked and splashed dark purple which appears blood red. Named in memory of tragedy at Pearl Harbor, America's rosy spot, which was spattered with blood on December 7th. A seedling of Mrs. Wm. S. Knudsen, crossed with Audrey Schmidt. An early bloomer and a good grower. (Storrs report a 6' bush, where it received a certificate in 1941.) On Eastern, Mid-West and Western Honor Rolls. **Root \$4.00 Plant \$2.00**
- PREMIER'S MAJESTIC I. D. (Premier)**—Color, salmon, gold and mulberry. A real fine dahlia on cane-like stem. Height, 5 feet. **Root \$1.00**
- PREMIER'S WINSOME I. D. (Premier)**—Color, white suffused with mallow pink. A very massive bloomer which can be grown to an immense size. Height, 5 feet. **Root \$1.25**
- RED LEGION I. D. (Brazil Dahlia Farm-Parrella)**—Color, bright red with broad twisted petals. Early and profuse bloomer. Blooms are erect on cane-like stems. Average size, 8 to 9 inches. Plant is a robust grower with heavy insect resisting foliage. Height, 5 feet. **Root \$2.50 Plant \$1.25**
- RED SUNSET I. D.**—Very bright, vivid, Chinese scarlet; long stems and healthy grower. Beautiful foliage. Height, 5 feet. **Root \$1.00**
- RENATE MULLER Incurved Cactus (European)**—One of the finest to date; large flowers on the best of stems. Color, bright rose with pale yellow center. Height, 4 feet. **Roots 75c**
- RETA BALLIN I. D. (Foreign-Parrella)**—An exceptionally fine dahlia of good size and depth. Blooms average 10 inches in diameter, and 7 inches in depth without forcing. Color, lemon yellow, almost an empire yellow. Petals slightly curled at the tips. A fine exhibition bloom with a closed tight center until the end of the season. Height, 4½ feet. **Root \$2.00 Plant \$1.00**
- RITA BETTY (Australia)**—Bronze, very large. **Root \$1.00**
- RITA WELLS I. D. (Straight-Wells-Ruschmohr)**—Large grenadine pink and buff. **Root \$1.50**

No business transaction is complete without both parties becoming satisfied.

RHYTHM (Dozier-Dahliadel)—This 8" Incurved Cactus is an exquisite beauty with its double serrated tip. The cameo or shrimp pink color with suffusions of soft rose with lemon shadings at the base of the petals and center of the flower make it most unusual. Certified at Storrs, W. Va., E. Lansing and on the Honor Rolls. Be sure to grow this new pink creation.

Root \$4.00 Plant \$2.00

ROBERT L. RIPLEY I. D. (Salem)—Rhodamine purple with rose suffusions throughout the entire bloom. This dahlia is of immense size on a strong stem.

Roots \$1.50

ROSE FALLON F. D.—A huge bloom of orange amber. Good grower and fine producer.

Root 35c

RUDOLF'S GIANT Inf. D.—Bright buff-apricot. This dahlia is signified by its name. While the bush is not a tall grower, it produces excellent foliage and good stiff stems.

Roots \$1.50

RUTH DENNING (Cox-Parrella)—Formal Bi-Color. White tipped with rich rosy crimson about one-fifth to one-quarter of the petal. A bright lively flower, the older petals take on an entire pale rose flush. Blooms average 8 inches to 9 inches and very attractive. Height, 4 feet.

Roots \$1.50

SONIA S. C. (Chappaqua)—Amaranth pink flushed with rhodamine purple. Size, 8 by 6. Very distinctive coloring and petal formation. Foliage is dark and resistant. Blooms early and continues profusely throughout the season. Prolific root maker. Selected by Lynn Dudley for the Honor Roll. If you want plenty of flowers, don't miss growing Sonia. Root \$2.00 Plant \$1.00

SANTA CLAUS I. D. (Dixie Dahlia Gardens)—Flag red, tipped white. Blooms, 7" x 5". Very aristocratic in formation. A seedling of Michigan White, which accounts for its being a free bloomer. A Medal Winner at A. D. S. Show in Commercial undissomiated class. Also won same classes at New Baltimore, Mich., and Toledo, Ohio. On Eastern and Western Honor Rolls.

Root \$3.00 Plant \$1.50

SUN-TAN S. C. (Chappaqua)—Bright salmon orange with a bronze sheen. Blooms 11" by 6" deep with high centers, narrow petals and fine form are easily produced. Dark glossy foliage. Long straight stems on a vigorous 5' bush. On Lynn Dudley's Honor Roll. Stock is limited, so if you want something extra fine order early.

Root \$4.00 Plant \$2.00

SAGAMORE F. D.—Golden yellow. Good cut flower.

Root 35c

SATAN S. C.—Here is one that should be in every garden. Color, a flaming red with a slight touch of gold at the center. Height, 6 feet.

Roots 50c

SHAHRAZAD I. D.—Described by the originators as a deep pink Jane Cowl, and early and very prolific bloomer. Height, 5 feet.

Roots 75c

SCARLET CHAMPION F. D.—Bright scarlet.

Roots \$1.00

SARETT'S PINK FLAMINGO (Sarett-Ruschmohr)—A clear rose pink incurved cactus of exquisite color and formation. Winner of 3 American Home Achievement Medals.

Plants \$5.00

SNOWBALL I. C.—White.

Plants 75c

SON OF SATAN Inf. D. (Slocum)—One of the largest and brightest of its type. Intense flame red on excellent stems. Blooms up to 12 inches in diameter. A sensation in any garden.

Root \$1.00

STAR OF BETHLEHEM S. C.—Flowers are pure white with fine pointed petals, with a large, high tight center. Height, 4½ feet.

Roots 50c

STEPHEN FOSTER I. C.—Buff orange.

Roots \$3.50 Plants \$1.50

STRAIGHT'S WHITE S. C.—Pure white.

Root \$1.50

- SUNRAYS I. D.**—Orange suffused peach. Root \$1.00
- THE REAL GLORY F. D.**—Pure white. Roots \$2.00 Plants \$1.00
- THE DRAGON** (Corbett - Dahliadel)—A large informal decorative, easily grows 11" x 5", in that lovely fall apricot shade. The petals actually are apricot in the center edged lengthwise on both sides with rose pink. A rugged plant with insect resisting foliage and a splendid grower. This dahlia scored 85. Roots \$5.00 Plants \$2.50
- TUXEDO I. D.** (Beaver Gardens)—Bloom 10" x 5". Bush 4½ feet. Color, Cardinal Red tipped and edged gold with a light silver reverse; insect-resistant foliage. Roots \$5.00 Plants \$2.50
- THE RANGER I. C.** (Salem)—True purple with white veins running the length of the petals and reverse of pure white, which shows as petals curl. Rugged and prolific. Plant \$2.00
- TOWN TOPIC F. D.** (Hulin-Parrella)—Magenta Purple Tipped White. The blooms will average nine inches grown normally, with ten to fifteen inches of clear stem above the first set of leaves. Root \$1.25
- THE FIREMAN I. D.** (Success)—A striking cardinal red, with golden flushes and golden tips. The petals are long and wavy, and twist gracefully near the tips. The flowers are large and are held facing sideways on long, stiff, stems. Height, about 6 feet. Roots 50¢
- THELMA CAIN I. D.** (Cain-Parrella)—Color, light coral red all outer petals, but shades of jasper pink at center and on backs of petals. The giant blooms are facing on fine stems. Good plant, best of foliage and exceptionally fine grower. Height, 6 feet. Roots \$1.50
- TOWER'S EMPIRE I. D.** (Tower-Parrella)—Immense blossoms of a clear gold with a deep amber shading at the center, on the best of stems. Blossoms can be grown to a very large diameter. Roots 50¢
- UNITED NATIONS I. D.**—A large bloom, on the best of stems. Apricot yellow. Root \$2.50



VIN WELL DAINTY

VIN WELL DAINTY Str. Cactus (Blamer-Parrella) — Color, Begonia rose blended to geranium pink; base of petals, lemon yellow lined, chrome yellow on face. Average size, 5 inches without forcing. Good branching habit. Clean grower, good plant, fine stem and prolific bloomer. VIN WELL DAINTY is a truly beautiful dahlia and much needed in its color class. Many dahlia lovers have admired this flower at our Gardens this past season. Your garden should not be without it. Height about 5 feet.

Root \$3.50 Plant \$1.25

Order early and you will not be disappointed.

VIN WELL BLUEBIRD (Blamer-Parrella)—Formal Decorative—10 x 5 inches—5 foot bush. A large blue purple which can be grown very large for exhibition. Never tips. **Roots 50c**

VICTORY F. D. (Asther)—Here is a large dahlia with good depth that is very formidable in the formal pink class, as well as being a very pleasing variety in the garden. The color is rose-pink with a golden suffusion. **Root \$1.00**

VIN WELL BITTERSWEET I. D. (Blamer-Parrella-Hulin)—Coppery red laid over amber. A dahlia with an entirely new color and a perfect formation with huge blooms and great depth on the best of stems. A free and prolific bloomer. Height, 5 feet. **Roots \$2.00**

VIN WELL CRINKLES I. D. (Blamer-Parrella)—Color, orchid shading to shrimp pink toward the tip. Petals crinkle. Size of bloom, 8½ inches by 5 inches or better. Long graceful stem holds the flower facing. Blooms are beautiful and very attractive. Height, 5 feet. **Root \$2.00**



VIN WELL PARAGON F. D. to I. D. (Blamer - Parrella) — A gorgeous dahlia of dainty cameo-like beauty. An early and all season bloomer, averages from 8 to 9 inches in diameter or larger. As the flower opens, the petals fall back to the stem forming to an almost immense size ball. Color, light rose pink toward the tips with amber yellow at the base of the petals. Reverse deep Eusline pink. Blooms facing on a fine long slender stem. The plant has fine branching habits, and the foliage is insect resisting. Vin Well Paragon received an "Award of Honor" at the Georgia Trial Ground, 1941.

Roots \$3.50 Plants \$1.50

VIN WELL PARAGON

VIN WELL TITIAN I. D. (Blamer-Parrella)—Lemon yellow, lightly tinted coral red, reverse more heavily tinted. Flowering habit, very good. Height, 5 feet. **Roots 50c**

VIRGINIA RUTE I. D. (Chappaqua)—An exceptionally large flower on extra long stems. Blooms of deep rich velvety maroon with broad pointed petals, having tight centers, good form and substance. Height, 6 feet. **Roots \$1.25**

WENOKA F. D. (Hulin-Parrellla)—A huge decorative of a solid rosy mauve or deep magenta. **Roots 75c**

WHITE CHRISTMAS F. D. to I. D. (Scheffel)—A 10" white dahlia, that will win on the show tables, not only for its fine form, but because of its great depth as well. Plants are vigorous rugged growers with heavy insect-resistant foliage. Blooms have excellent substance and fine stems, keeping well when cut. **WHITE CHRISTMAS** scored 85.3 at the University of Maryland Trial Garden. **Roots \$7.50 Plants \$3.50**

WHITE KING F. D.—White.

Root 35c

WHITE WONDER I. D.—A pure white dahlia. The giant blooms are well formed with long pointed, twisted and curled petals. Height, 5 feet.

Roots 50c

WINGS S. C.—Dark carmine.

Plants \$2.50

WORLD EVENT F. D. to I. D. (Dixie Gardens)—Color, amaranth pink flushed mallow purple, general effect being soft, glowing pink. Size 9" x 6", without much disbudding. It has a high center and is complete back to stem; flowers are held on the side on a long strong stem. Certificate winner at Storrs and East Lansing in 1943, and on three honor rolls.

Roots \$7.50 Plants \$3.50



WANDA MEADE

The charming young lady is WANDA MEADE holding the beautiful blooms of the dahlia named in her honor.

WANDA MEADE I. D. (Parrella—Blamer-Hulin)—This medium size dahlia which received First and Special at the A. D. S. Show in New York, 1942, and also received a Bronze Medal from the New York Florists' Club on September 14th, 1942, is one of the most outstanding and showy dahlias we have had the pleasure of introducing. Color, scarlet red, evenly tipped white. Blooms average from 5 to 7 inches in diameter with plenty of depth. The blooms are set on fine, long, wiry stems, flowers facing. Foliage light green, insect resisting. Height of plant, 4½ feet. Root \$3.50 Plant \$1.50

YOWA MATSUOKA S. C.—Rose Red.

Root \$1.00

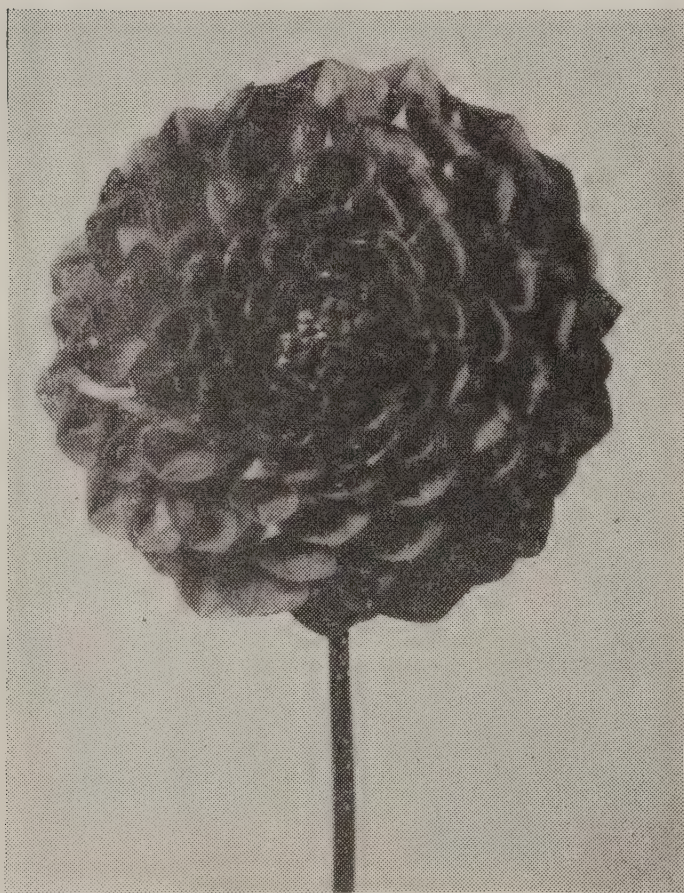
There is a great difference between the dahlia our father used to know and the modern dahlias.

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The above collections are our own selections, all named and labeled; not two alike; the best only, and double catalogue value.

BALL DAHLIAS - Roots Only



MARSHALL KERNOCHAN (Fioretti-Parrella)—Ball dahlia. In introducing this fine dahlia we are herewith giving the exact description received at the Ohio Valley Trial Ground, with a score of 85. Color, carmine. Flowering habit, prolific. Date of first bloom, August 20th. Cutting length of stem, 24" x 30". Strong, erect, good proportion. Flowers facing up to half facing. Habit of growth, tall, erect and branching. Health very good. Height, 5 ft. Blooms, 3½" x 3". Substance, good. Remarks—best red ball to date. A Prize Winner where it was shown. Also won First Prize at the New York World's Fair in 1940. First Prize at the Peekskill Show in 1941, First and Special at the A. D. S. Show in New York, 1941. An Honor Roll Dahlia.

Roots \$1.75

MARSHALL KERNOCHAN

A. D. LIVONI — Soft pink. Root 35c

CAROLYN BALL — Clear pink. Root 50c

MARY HELEN — Yellow. Roots 50c

MAUD ADAM — Clear shell pink. Root 35c

LEAH PEARL — Pink and Cream. Root \$1.00

SUPT. AMHYRN — Clear rose pink. Root 50c

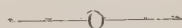
JAMES VICK — Purple crimson. Root 35c

The more you do for the dahlia in the growing season, the more the dahlia will do for you in the blooming season.

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JUST A FEW OF OUR MANY TESTIMONIALS

Dear Sir:

Danvers, Mass., Oct. 18, 1944.

Wish to make a little report on the success that I had with the dahlia bulbs purchased from you last spring. Must say that they were all very pretty and grew fine.

A. M. B.

Dear Sir:

Longview, Texas, Nov. 21, 1944.

I have grown dahlias in Texas for twenty-three years but I have never had one like your Wanda Meade, that could take our hot days and still stay full of flowers. There has not been a single day since June 1st that I have not had flowers on both of them and now the middle of November they are full of buds and flowers. It is the best dahlia I have ever seen—pretty as well as insect resistant.

MRS. R. M. R.

Dear Sir:

Ottumwa, Iowa, Oct. 28, 1944.

I have had some of the best dahlias this year I ever grew and they are still in heavy late bloom here in Southern Iowa.

E. A. A.

Dear Sir:

Brooklyn, N. Y., May 21, 1944.

The dahlia bulbs arrived in splendid condition. Will you be so kind as to send your illustrated catalogue.

MISS F. H.

Dear Mr. Parella:

Albany, Minn., October 19, 1944.

The dahlia roots I received from you in the spring were the most gorgeous blossoms we had ever seen.

H. M. K.

Dear Mr. Parella:

Natchitoches, La., Oct. 10, 1944.

Thought I might drop you a line about the dahlias I got from you, you may be interested. Had a hot dry summer but the dahlias came thru pretty well. The very early bloomers go to pieces. They don't last until good dahlia weather comes in October. The later bloomers seem to take it better. All your roots did well. Marshall Howe is very good.

S. N.

Dear Sir:

Auckland, New Zealand, Feb. 29, 1944.

I am writing to you to ask you a favor. My Auntie, who lives in your state and who never tires of telling me about the dahlias she gets from you felt sure if I asked you, you would send me 2 of your illustrated catalogues. She won't part with hers.

MISS W. B.

Dear Mr. Parella:

Received your lovely Xmas card, and thank you for your kind remembrance of me. If all goes well in 45 and Uncle Sam let's us have more gas will be down to see you as I am going to use my car the 1st of the year. I haven't used it since the chauffeur went away two years ago. He is still down in Maxwell Field. I had such grand luck with my dahlias last season. Some display Vin well crinkles and Vin W. Dainty was one mass of blooms and Katie K was so beautiful, some size; also Bakers Best; even the roots I had of you before done so well. You will hear from me in the spring. Am anxious to see some of the newer ones next season. Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to you all.

F. L.

Dear Mr. Parella:

Scarsdale, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1944.

I thought you might like to see what results some of us amateurs get from your roots and plans. That is Lynn Fontaine I am standing beside, it measured 13 inches across. The Paragon and Adele Henderson are in the background. You can see by the picture that not only the flower but the stems and foliage are very good.

F. R.

To whom it may concern:

Jersey City, N. J., March 24, 1944.

Having read your Dahlia advertisement in the Sunday American, I am sending my request for the free catalog. I have seen some of your flowers at Bronx Park and like them very much. Thanking you in advance, I remain,

L. M. R.



Please Note: Regardless of the draught and the hurricane which visited us just a few days before the dahlia show, we were still able to stage this lovely Gold Medal display at the A.D.S. show in New York. No. 1 in the center of our display is Sweet Lavender. This is the seedling that was marked No. 50T that many made a note of. No. 2 the huge top center basket is the lovely Hilda Fioretti, so greatly admired by all and a first prize winner at the show. We may add that Hilda Fioretti received a Silver Medal at the New York Florists' Club, October 11, 1944.